



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA); Notice of Incentive Funding Availability Based on Program Year (PY) 2012 Performance

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), in collaboration with the Department of Education (ED), announces that eight States are eligible to apply for WIA (Pub. L. 105-220, 29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.) incentive grant awards authorized by section 503 of the WIA.

DATES: The eight eligible States must submit their applications for incentive funding to the DOL by [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit applications to the Employment and Training Administration, Office of Policy Development and Research, Division of Strategic Planning and Performance, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N-5641, Washington, DC 20210, Attention: Karen Staha and Luke Murren. Telephone number: 202-693-3733 (this is not a toll-free number). Fax: 202-693-2766. E-mail: staha.karen@dol.gov and murren.luke@dol.gov. Information may also be found at the ETA Performance Web site: <http://www.doleta.gov/performance>. Additional information on how to apply can be found in Training and Employment Guidance Letter 20-01 Change 12, which will be forthcoming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Luke Murren at Murren.Luke@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Eight States (see Appendix) qualify to receive a share of the \$9,884,265 available for

incentive grant awards under WIA section 503. These funds, which were contributed by ED from appropriations for the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act at WIA title II (AEFLA), are available for the eligible States to use through June 30, 2016, to support innovative workforce development and education activities that are authorized under WIA title IB (Workforce Investment Systems) or WIA title II (AEFLA), or under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Perkins IV), 20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq., as amended by Pub. L. 109-270. In order to qualify for a grant award, a State must have exceeded its performance levels for WIA title IB and WIA title II. (Perkins IV removed the requirement that funds be reserved to carry out section 503 of WIA which only referenced Pub. L. 105-332 (Perkins III); thus, DOL and ED do not consider States' performance levels under Perkins IV in determining eligibility for incentive grants under section 503 of WIA). The performance related goals used to determine a State's eligibility status include: 1) employment after training and related services, as well as retention in employment, and 2) improvements in literacy levels, among other measures. After review of the performance data submitted by States to DOL and ED, each Department determined which States exceeded their performance levels for its respective program(s) (the Appendix at the bottom of this notice lists the eligibility of each State by program). These lists were compared, and States that exceeded their performance levels for both programs are eligible to apply for and receive an incentive grant award.

The States eligible to apply for incentive grant awards and the amounts they are eligible to receive are listed in the following chart:

<i>State</i>	<i>Total Award</i>
Georgia	\$1,428,125
Idaho	\$845,837
Indiana	\$1,130,999
Maine	\$819,433
Oklahoma	\$911,238
Pennsylvania	\$1,438,783
South Carolina	\$1,079,016
Texas	\$2,230,834

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APPENDIX

STATE	Incentive Grants Program Year 2012 Exceeded State Performance Levels		
	WIA Title IB	AEFLA (WIA Title II – Adult Education)	WIA Title IB; AEFLA
Alabama			
Alaska		X	
Arizona	X		
Arkansas		X	
California			
Colorado			
Connecticut			
District of Columbia			
Delaware		X	
Florida			
Georgia	X	X	X
Hawaii			
Idaho	X	X	X
Illinois		X	
Indiana	X	X	X
Iowa			
Kansas	X		
Kentucky			
Louisiana	X		
Maine	X	X	X
Maryland	X		
Massachusetts			
Michigan	X		
Minnesota		X	
Mississippi	X		
Missouri		X	
Montana		X	
Nebraska			
Nevada			
New Hampshire		X	
New Jersey			
New Mexico	X		
New York		X	
North Carolina			
North Dakota			
Ohio	X		
Oklahoma	X	X	X
Oregon			
Pennsylvania	X	X	X
Puerto Rico			
Rhode Island		X	
South Carolina	X	X	X
South Dakota		X	
Tennessee	X		
Texas	X	X	X

STATE	Incentive Grants		
	Program Year 2012 Exceeded State Performance Levels		
	WIA Title IB	AEFLA (WIA Title II - Adult Education)	WIA Title IB; AEFLA
Utah	X		
Vermont			
Virginia			
Washington			
West Virginia	X		
Wisconsin			
Wyoming		X	
TOTAL	19	20	8

* States in **bold** exceeded their performance levels for both WIA Title IB and WIA title II programs.

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